

**Lori Gourley**

438 Rellim Drive , Kent, OH 44240

December 1, 2005 12:06 PM

Representative Tim Ryan  
U.S. House of Representatives  
222 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Ryan:

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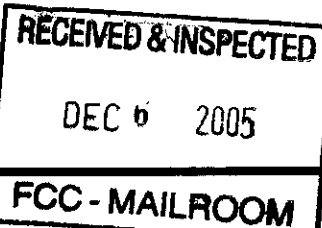
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**Karen Chandler**

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December 1, 2005 12:23 PM

Senator Rick Santorum  
U.S. Senate  
511 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Santorum:

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**Robert Barth**

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Representative Robert Andrews  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2439 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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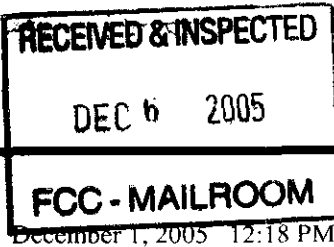
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**Brenda Davis**

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Senator Evan Bayh  
U.S. Senate  
463 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Bayh:

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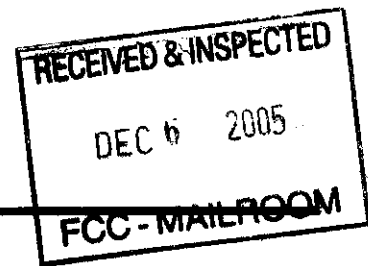
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**Ricky Parkinson**

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December 1, 2005 12:15 PM

Representative Sam Johnson  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1211 Longworth House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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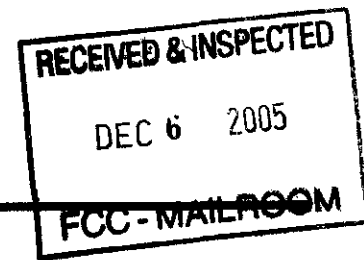
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December 1, 2005 12:06 PM

Representative Emanuel Cleaver  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1641 Longworth House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Cleaver:

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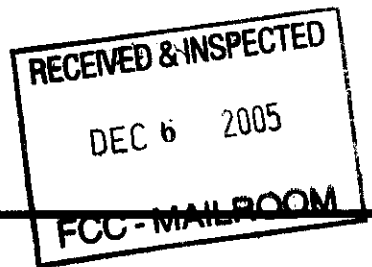
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Pat Mino

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December 1, 2005 12:00 PM

Senator Christopher Bond  
U.S. Senate  
274 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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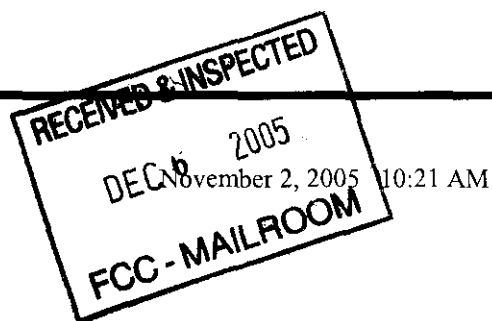
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**Caroln Gille**

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Senator Dianne Feinstein  
U.S. Senate  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Feinstein:

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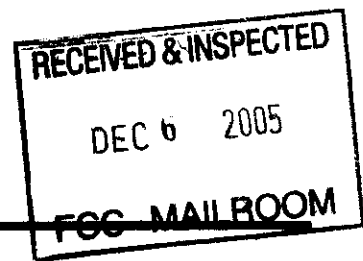
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December 1, 2005 12:17 PM

Senator John Rockefeller  
U.S. Senate  
531 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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November 1, 2005 9:25 PM

Representative Terry Everett  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2312 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Everett:

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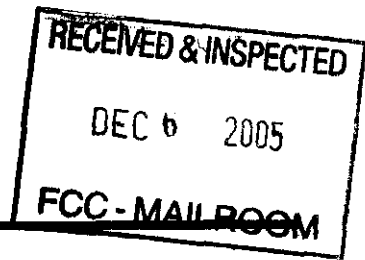
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**Anne Wolf**

20 Cotswold Place, Durham, NC 27707

December 1, 2005 12:13 PM

Senator Elizabeth Dole  
U.S. Senate  
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Dole:

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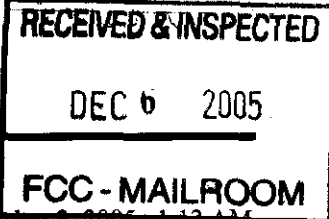
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November 2, 2005 1:12 AM

Senator Saxby Chambliss  
U.S. Senate  
416 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Chambliss:

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As a consumer, I would like to believe that I would be charged fairly. If the FCC goes to a numbers tax, my service will cost more. I do not feel that I should pay for someone elses use of long distance calling when my family only has one (1) or two (2) long distance calls per month.

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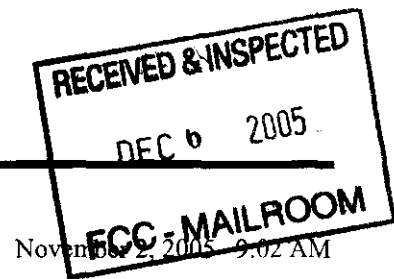
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**Timothy Nantz**

1423 Cotton Grove Road, Lexington, NC 27292



Senator Elizabeth Dole  
U.S. Senate  
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Dole:

Once again, this administration REFUSES to make life easier for the public that voted them in! This has got to change...and it has got to change NOW!!!!

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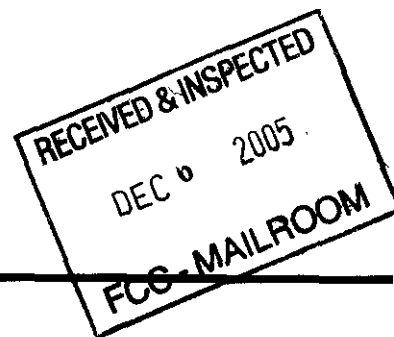
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Sincerely,

Timothy Nantz

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Dena Bordelon**

202 White St. , Houma, LA 70364

November 2, 2005 8:25 AM

Senator Mary Landrieu  
U.S. Senate  
724 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket  
96-45

Dear Senator Landrieu:

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Commissions' (FCC) position to change the Universal Service Fund  
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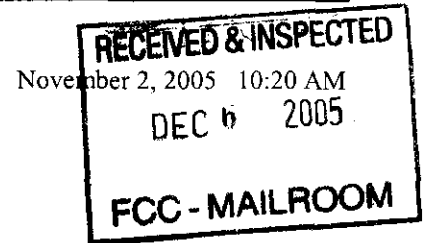
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**David Alfred**

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Senator Patty Murray  
U.S. Senate  
173 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Murray:

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Sincerely,

David Alfred

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The Federal Communications Commission

David Alfred  
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**Mary Carver**

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November 2, 2005 10:19 AM

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Senator Bill Nelson  
U.S. Senate  
716 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Nelson:

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Thank you for your continued work and I look forward to hearing about your position on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mary Carver

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Representative Phil English**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1410 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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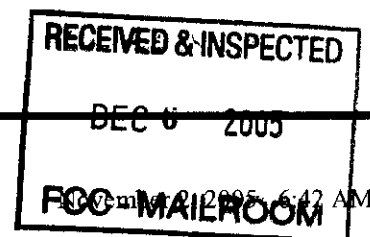
Sincerely,

Paul McCluskey

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**Gerald LaValley**

863 Durand Rd. , Plattsburgh, NY 12901



Senator Charles Schumer  
U.S. Senate  
313 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Schumer:

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Sincerely,

Gerald LaValley

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Willard H. DeBruin**

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November 30, 2005 06:21 PM

Senator Herb Kohl  
U.S. Senate  
330 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

**Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45**

Dear Senator Kohl:

I have been infomed by my cell phone provider that the chairman of the FCC, Kevin J. Martin wants to unfairly instill, without legislation, a fixed Universal Service Fund fee for all cell phone users regardless of cell phone usage.

We use a cell phone infrequently; sometimes do not use it for weeks at a time but keep the cell phone mostly for emergency phone capability. Doing that, we can keep our cell phone cost to less than \$10 per month.

I want to make two points:

1. A fixed fee regardless of phone usage is unfair. It is like charging everyone a fixed amount of gasoline tax regardless of driven miles or a fixed amount of income tax regardless of income. This may already be in place for landline phones but that does not justify its continuance.
2. The Universal Service Fund to subsidize telephone service for schools and libraries should be paid for by all taxpayers, not just telephone users. I would agree, however, that rural area and low income community telephone service enhances the phone system's flexibility.

Please do what you can to scale back the USF fund and if that can't be done, then do what you can to continue to make the USF fund payment proportional to telephone usage.

I would like to hear from you regarding your views on this.

Sincerely,

Willard H. DeBruin



cc: Kevin J. Martin

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**Alice Albright**

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November 30, 2005 05:10 PM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

The flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is unfair. I urge you to oppose this plan. I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones or make few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website. Stopping the flat fee tax is important to my family - not to mention my pocket book. You will hear from me again, until this issue is resolved fairly! The flat-fee is unfair, and un-American.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers. I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal.  
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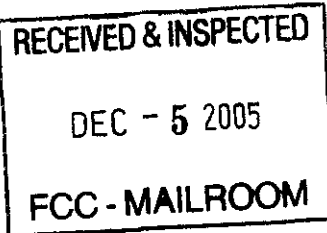
Sincerely,

  
Alice Albright

cc:

Senator John Warner ✓  
Senator George Allen

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November 30, 2005 05:07 PM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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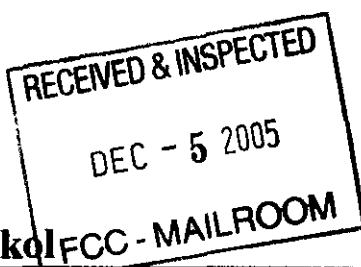
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**steven sokol**

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12 gunther ave , lodi, New Jersey 07644

November 26, 2005 07:27 AM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

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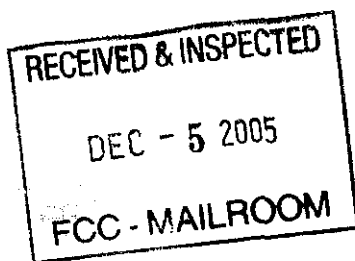
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cc:

Senator Frank Lautenberg  
Representative Steve Rothman  
Senator Jon Corzine

Printed Name: Steven Sokol  
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**Jill Parks**

835 LaRue Drive , Cedar Hill, Texas 75104

November 10, 2005 08:26 PM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Kay Hutchison  
Representative Kenny Marchant  
Senator John Cornyn

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